

17 July 1950

REMARKS: Acting Executive
General Counsel
Assistant Director, OMC

SUBJECT: State's Staff Study of 1 May 1950 on Production
of National Intelligence

REFERENCES: (a) Mr. Webb's letter of 7 July transmitting Staff
Study on the above subject
(b) OMC's Preliminary Comments of 13 July on the
above subject

1. In view of OMC's Study of State's Staff Study of 1 May 1950 on Production of National Intelligence and on Continuous Surveillance of Current Intelligence, we think that in the main the Director's reply to Mr. Webb (with an information copy to the Executive Secretary of the IEC, and maybe to others also) should be relatively brief, pointing up only the high spots and major changes proposed in the Staff Study.

2. For possible future use with the IEC (if, as or when necessary), let there be a detailed CIA point-by-point rebuttal; but we think no such details should initially be given out to State and Defense.

3. If State and Defense do present this paper to the IEC after receiving the Director's reply, other members of the IEC at any rate will ask the DCI for his views. Then, to supplement the attached reply to Mr. Webb, the detailed CIA position can be presented to the IEC.

4. Accordingly, we propose for our discussions later ~~this~~
week the enclosed draft. The next after, let there be discussions on the more detailed CIA position which should be in the file ready for future contingencies.

REMARKS: Chief
Coordination, Operations
and Policy Staff

Enclosure
Draft of reply to Mr. Webb